

Appl. No. 10/708,304
Reply dated 28 November 2007
Reply to Office Action mailed 28 June 2007

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, the claims in the application are claims 4, 5, 27, and 28.

Applicants are pleased to note that the office action mailed on June 28, 2007 states that original claims 4, 5, 27 and 28 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have rewritten original claims 4, 5, 27 and 28 to cover the same subject matter which the office action indicates would be allowable. An explanation of each of the claims in their present form is set forth hereinbelow.

New claim 4 is a straightforward rewritten version of original claim 4 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base independent claim.

New claim 5 now depends from claim 4 and covers the identical features which would have been covered if original claim 5 has been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

New claim 27 is a straightforward rewritten version of original claim 27 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base independent claim.

New claim 28 now depends from claim 27 and covers the identical features which would have been covered if original claim 28 has been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

A petition for extension of time under C.F.R. 1.136(a) is submitted along with the appropriate fee. No additional fees are due.

Respectfully submitted,

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